



Poem by Uncle John

"WHITTLIN"

Whittlin' on a splinter in a quiet homey place,—
feller spends the winter-time with happy smilin' face.
Watch the shavin' flyin' from a blade that's sharp an'
thin—mighty satisfyin' way to fence the hours in. . .

Whittlin' on the problems that affect a feller's life
—takes a world of patience in the man behind the
knife. . . . Had to whittle keeful, when you run
across a knot,—or mebbe cut year finger, when you
faltered—or forgot.

Whittlin' out a character, or, mebbe a career,
makes a sight of litter all around a feller's cheer. . . .
Get it shaped to suit ye, in its form as well as heft,
makes a pile of whittlin's, where there's often little left.

Fellers argy sometimes, that whittlin's never paid.
Never put no value on the filagree they made. . . .
Somehow failed to realize the talents which they had,
to carve around the good things, or whittle out the bad.

No One is Perfect



Ever have the idea you are not good enough to join church? Forget it! No one is perfect, but every Christian is striving toward the perfection set by Jesus Christ. Take one step at a time.

Attend church services regularly. Study the Bible at home and in Sunday school. Perhaps you attended Sunday school years ago. You still need the same old Bible. It has a message for you and your children. Come to Sunday school and church.

The blood of Jesus Christ cleanseth us from all sin

LOMITA CHURCH NOTES

In spite of the threatening, rainy weather, the Sunday school registered a large attendance. The Lincoln Highway Chart shows the position of the various automobiles each week. It is an object of interest to pupils and teachers alike. We invite all children, the boys and girls of Lomita, to attend our Sunday school. Mrs. Francis has kindly consented to teach the class of Junior boys, which the pastor has had for two years. Mr. James W. Fryer, the teacher of the adult Bible class, has asked the pastor to take that class, and he has consented to do so. Men and women are cordially invited to join the class.

"Not Weary in Well-Doing" was the theme of the morning message. It is easy to grow weary in well-doing. We get tired easily. But Satan is never tired. Sin is never weary. Even with all the officers and machinery of the law against it, crime grows apace. The State passes laws against gambling. Slot machines and punch boards are forbidden. After a while they come back again quietly, secretly, only to be met once more by the strong arm of the law. If Satan is so busy, if sin is never weary, surely the Lord's people ought not to be weary in well-doing.

The evening text was: "If any man willeth to do His will he shall know of the teaching whether it be of God or whether I speak from myself." Jesus here sets forth a truth of human life and of Christian experience. Knowledge comes through obedience. Knowledge is the daughter of the will. I become a locomotive engineer, not by reading about the engine, but by sitting in the cab and controlling the movements of the engine. I become a Christian by doing the will of Christ.

The Intermediate C. E. Society met on Monday evening at the home of Miss Thomas and Miss Mills to make contributions to and pack a Christmas missionary box.

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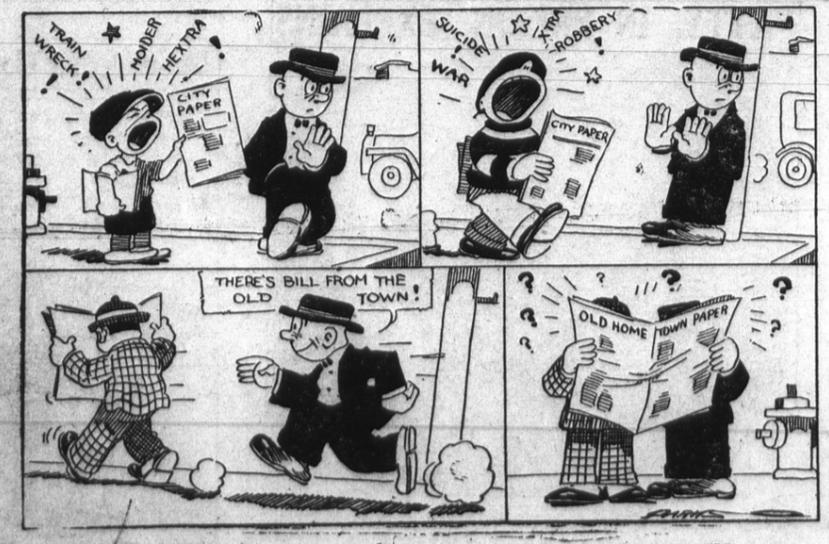
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WONDERS OF AMERICA

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AMERICAN CAMPANILE

THE records of past ages are authority for the fact that campaniles or bell towers became very common in Italy and especially in Rome between the eighth and eleventh centuries. Almost everybody has at some time seen a picture of that famous old one of old St. Mark's Church in Venice.

On the other hand, campaniles are rarely seen in the United States now-a-days and yet California boasts what is perhaps the most splendid example of a bell tower on the western hemispheric.

It is one of the most-pleasing and graceful architectural structures one can hope to look upon and is located in the grounds of the University of California, at Berkeley. The gift of a Mrs. Sater, it cost about \$200,000, is 302 feet high, approximately 36 feet square and is constructed of California granite, with the exception of the pyramidally-shaped top-piece which is of white marble.

Within the tower is an immense clock and a chime of twelve beautiful ly-toned bells. These precious bells were safely transported through the submarine-infested waters of the Atlantic, on their journey from the old world, during the earlier days of the world war.

These bells, also the gift of Mrs. Sater, range in weight from 349 to 4,118 pounds. The tenor or largest bell carries the following inscription, written especially for the purpose by Professor Flagg of the university: "We ring, we chime, we toll; Lend ye the silent part, Some answer in the heart, Some echo in the soul."

OLD CARLYLE HOUSE

OF surpassing interest, because of its unmatched historical associations, is the venerable home of John Carlyle, who came to America as collector of customs for the British Crown.

It is located near the Potomac river in Alexandria, Virginia, which settlement was at that time a sort of American headquarters for the British empire. It was built in 1752, on top of an old fort which it is thought was constructed about the year 1600.

Solidly built of cut stone which it is believed was brought from England, the walls of this two-story-and-basement house are wonderfully well preserved and much of the interior furnishings remain but little unchanged from the days when this was the scene of much old-fashioned hospitality.

In the hallway stands a slender, grandfather's clock which for more than a century recorded the passing of time. Upstairs is the ancient canopy bed, so high that a step was necessary to enable one to comfortably climb into it, in which slept General Braddock who was sent to this country to take charge of the British forces during the French and Indian wars.

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LOMITA NEWS ITEMS

Ducharme on Redondo Boulevard Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Mollie Olsen, a trained nurse from a Los Angeles hospital, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Herlin, of West Pepper street.

John Holm, contractor, is driving a new Dodge automobile. The Bluebirds met with Mrs. Ducharme on Redondo Boulevard Tuesday afternoon.

Wm. J. Herrin, son of Mrs. Effie Hayden, arrived Thursday from Camp Quantico, Virginia, where he received his discharge from the navy. Claude Ringwald, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ringwald of Redondo Blvd., was in the same camp and arrived home four days previous.